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In re Patent Application of:)	
Shunpei YAMAZAKI et al.)	Examiner: William D. Coleman
Serial No. 09/197,534)	Group Art Unit: 2823
Filed: November 23, 1998)	
For: LASER PROCESS)	June 24, 2004

REQUEST FOR CORRECTION OF PRIOR

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure as set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.56, Applicants hereby submit the following information in conformance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of each of the documents cited is enclosed.

In reviewing the Notice of Allowance and considered PTO-1449s attached thereto, Applicants note minor typographical errors on the PTO-1449s submitted with the Information Disclosure Statements submitted on June 15, 2000 and December 10, 2003. Since these errors are only minor in nature, consideration of the underlying documents is not an issue.

Specifically, with regard to the IDS filed December 10, 2003, the named inventor for foreign patent document 1-283917 was listed as "Michihiko". While Michihiko is the given name of the named inventor, "Hasegawa" is the proper family name. The correct family name was provided in the Information Disclosure Statement of March 12, 2004 in which a complete translation of the document was provided. The correction is listed on the attached Corrected PTO-1449.

With regard to the Information Disclosure statement of June 15, 2000, the typographical errors and corrections are listed below as well as on the attached Corrected PTO-1449.

1. U.S. Patent No. 4,497,015, "Kanno et al." should be changed to "Konno et al.";

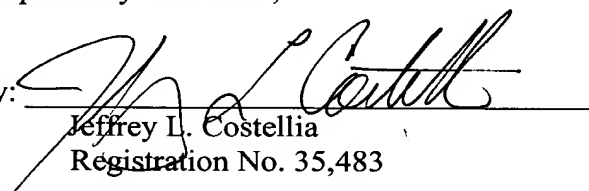
2. Foreign patent document 2255292 dated 07/01/91 should be changed to 2-255292 dated 10/16/1990;
3. Foreign patent document 1239837 dated 12/18/89 should be changed to 1-239837 dated 09/25/89
4. Non-Patent Literature document "Improving the Uniformity...", Kuriyama et al., pp.4450-4554 should be changed to "Improving the Uniformity...", Kuriyama et al., pp. 4550-4554;
5. Non-Patent Literature document "p-28: 3.7-in. Diagonal...", 550. SID 93 Digest should be changed to "p.-28: 3.7-in. Diagonal...", 550-553. SID 93 Digest;
6. Foreign patent document 5-8191420 dated 2/7/84 should be changed to 58-191420 dated 11/8/83;
7. Foreign patent document 5-8127318 dated 10/20/83 should be changed to 58-127318 dated 07/29/83.

It is requested that the Examining attorney mark through the incorrect citations on the Information Disclosure Statements filed on June 15, 2000 and December 10, 2003. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial a copy of the attached corrected PTO-1449 form and return it to the undersigned.

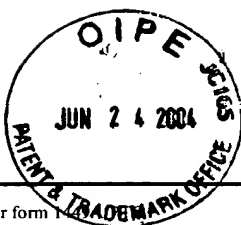
The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees connected with this filing which may be required now, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-2380.

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		"p.-28: 3.7-8n.-Diagonal STN-LCD with Stripe Electrode Patterns Fabricated by an Excimer-Laser Scribing System" T. Konuma et al., Semiconductor Energy Laboratory Co., Ltd., 550-553 SID 93 Digest.	

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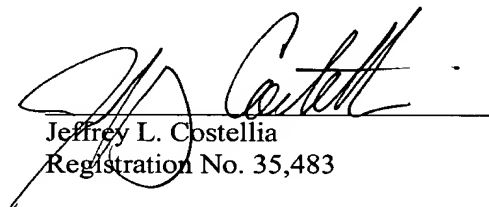
Sir:

An Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449 was filed in the above-identified patent application on April 6, 2004. Applicants have not yet received back from the Examiner a copy of the Form PTO-1449 initialed to acknowledge the fact that the Examiner has considered the cited disclosed information.

The Examiner is requested to initial and return to the undersigned a copy of the subject Form PTO-1449.

Should there be any questions concerning this communication, please telephone the undersigned at the number set forth below.

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